Table Mesa Recreational Management Zones and Safe Shooting Model Project Quarterly Congressional Field Tour

Thursday, April 17, 2008

AGENDA

8:45a.m. Gather at Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD) Headquarters

Directions: Travel north on I-17. Exit at Carefree Highway. Turn left, crossing the bridge. Just after the Ben Avery Shooting Facility there is a traffic light on the right to enter into the headquarters. Meet in the front lobby of the AGFD headquarters.

Welcome: Josh Avey, AGFD, Habitat Branch Chief

Introductions: Elaine Zielinski, BLM Arizona State Director

Remarks: Michael Taylor, BLM Deputy State Director for Resources

BLM Briefing: Teri Raml, BLM Phoenix District Manager **Map Overview**

The first two locations of the field tour will focus on recreational uses at (1) a state-operated formal target shooting range, and (2) multi-recreational uses and sites at Table Mesa.

9:15 a.m. Depart for Ben Avery Shooting Facility

Stop 1: Ben Avery Shooting Facility

Discuss Ben Avery Shooting Facility and the demographics of target shooters. Josh Avey, AGFD

9:30 a.m. Depart for Table Mesa

9:45 a.m. Stop 2: Entrance to Table Mesa (Arizona State Land/Staging area)

Discuss Table Mesa, land status and recreational issues. Teri Raml, BLM and Josh Avey, AGFD

10:00 a.m. Driving Tour on Table Mesa Road to Lake Pleasant

Discuss gas transmission pipelines; target shooting in riverbeds and washes; electric transmission lines; historic Black Canyon Trailhead; potential safe shooting sites. Teri Raml, BLM

10:15 a.m. Stop 3: Lake Pleasant Gate

Travel back down Table Mesa Road, exiting on to BLM roads to the north, where two potentially safe target shooting sites are identified.

11:00 a.m. Stop 4: Two Additional Safe Shooting Sites

Discuss recreational management zone; diverse recreational users; BLM travel management planning; Safe Shooting Model Project and sites; and collaborative partnerships. Teri Raml, BLM

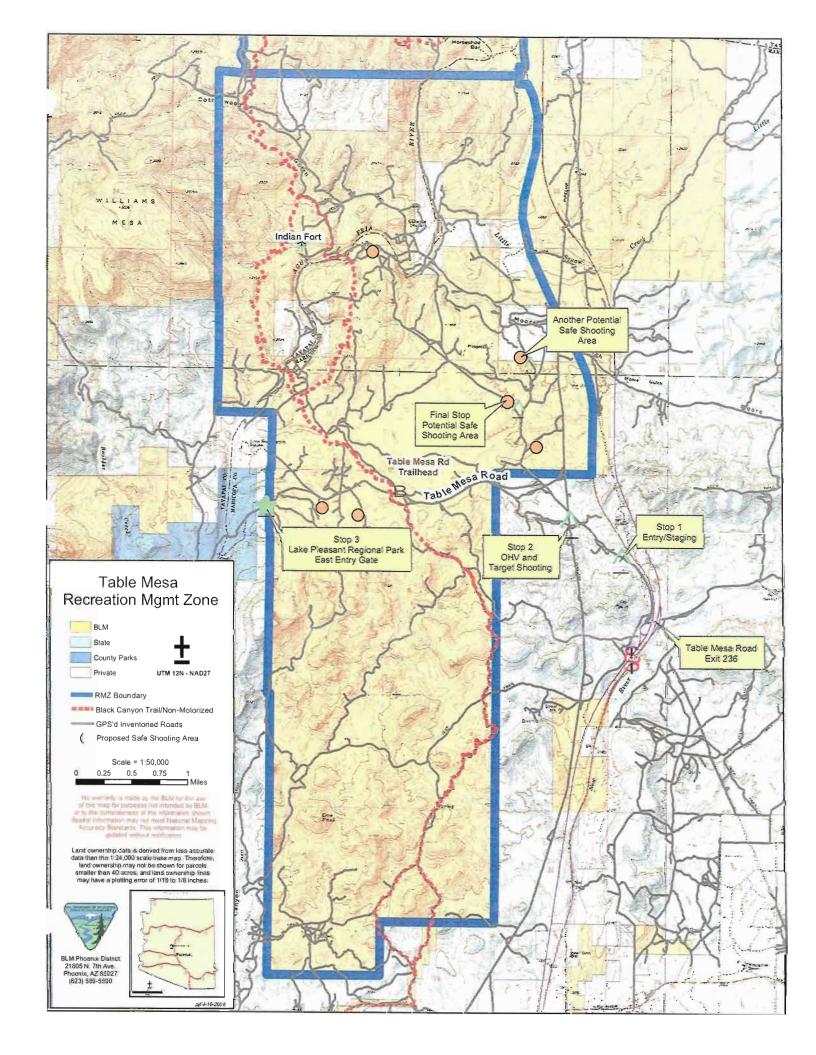
11:30 a.m. Exit Table Mesa to Rock Springs Café - Lunch

1:30 p.m. Depart for Agua Fria – Richinbar Petroglyph Hike/Richinbar Mine Briefing:

Discuss Agua Fria National Monument; significant resources; land use planning efforts; and Preferred Alternative to close the Monument to recreational shooting. Connie Stone, Acting BLM Hassayampa Field Office Manager

3:30 p.m. Depart Agua Fria National Monument

4:15 p.m. Load into personal vehicles at entrance of Ben Avery staging location



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Urban Growth Issues

April 2008

ISSUES:

Arizona is the second fastest growing state in the country, growing by 22% since the 2000 Census. This translates into a demand for land, additional requests for rights-of-ways for transportation and energy corridors, and additional recreation pressure and damage to BLM public lands adjacent to expanding population centers.

SUMMARY:

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) use and recreational shooting near urban centers are becoming major concerns for the BLM. The increase in off-highway vehicle use is creating conflicts between users and escalating impacts to vegetation, soils and wildlife resources. OHV dust is generating air quality issues near urban centers. Recreational shooters are looking for relatively remote, convenient, and free areas to shoot, resulting in user conflicts with other recreational activities, accumulation of target waste, and resource damage down range of target sites.

Transportation planning for State Highways and Interstates throughout Arizona will impact BLM lands. Widening of Interstates 8 and 17 has the potential to impact both the Agua Fria and Sonoran Desert national monuments. Rights-of-way applications for energy transmission corridors, new wind and solar energy applications, and authorizations for mineral materials to support population growth are on the rise. Rights-of-ways for local distribution powerlines and access roads have greatly increased in outlying areas adjacent to public lands.

BLM is nearing completion of new Resource Management Plans for the Phoenix District and the Ironwood Forest National Monument, two areas experiencing rapid growth. Opportunities for land disposal are limited; however, BLM will offer parcels that have been identified for disposal in the plans.

BLM PERSPECTIVE:

BLM is being heavily impacted by Arizona's exploding population growth. Demands for rights- of-ways are greatly increasing. BLM is participating in the Arizona Statewide Framework Policy Committee, which is addressing transportation needs for the next 20 years.

Off-highway vehicle use and recreational shooting are rapidly becoming major concerns for BLM lands.

CONTACT:

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Arizona Republic Monday, April 7, 2008

DATA CENTRAL: Population growth

Maricopa County grows

The Census Bureau's population estimates for 2007 showed Maricopa County led the nation's counties in the number of new residents from 2000 to 2007, with more than 800,000 new residents. Ten counties nationwide grew by at least 200,000 people. Of those 10, Maricopa ranked fifth for percentage growth. The nine other counties that added more than 200,000 were:

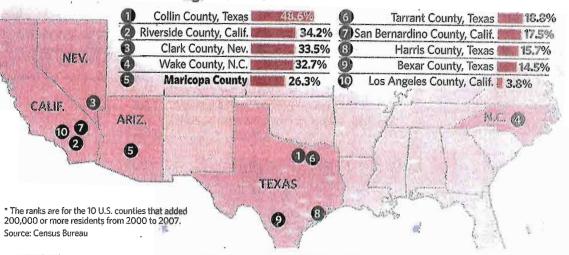
- Harris County, Texas, 535,277.
- Riverside County, Calif., 528,197.
- Clark County, Nev., 460,798.
- Los Angeles County, Calif., 359,224.
- San Bernardino County, Calif., 298,357.
- Tarrant County, Texas, 271,210.
- Collin County, Texas, 238,914.
- Wake County, N.C., 205,124.
- Bexar County, Texas, 201,562.

Go to datacentral.azcentral.com to search population information for more than 3,000 counties.

10 U.S. counties led growth from 2000-2007

Maricopa County led the nation's counties for growth in the number of new residents from 2000 to 2007, but ranked fifth for percentage of growth.

Percent change 2000-2007



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Arizona Land Use Planning Update

April 2008

Agua Fria National Monument and Bradshaw - Harquahala Land Use Plans

- Final briefings for the State Director, the Washington Office staff, and the Director's office were completed in the fall and approval to print was received from the Director.
- The Proposed RMP/Final EIS plan has been going through cleanup by a writer-editor in preparation for sending it to a printer. Publication is tentatively set for April or early May.

Sonoran Desert National Monument and Lower Sonoran Land Use Plans

- The Draft RMP/Draft EIS planning effort is making progress and an Administrative Draft has been reviewed by the BLM Arizona State Office.
- The planning team has been working on an analysis pertaining to recreational shooting and is working towards printing their Draft RMP/Draft EIS in the fall of 2008.

Lake Havasu Field Office Land Use Plan

- The Record of Decision and Approved Plan was signed by the State Director on May 10, 2007. The Notice of Availability (NOA) for the Record of Decision and Approved Plan was published in the Federal Register on July 9, 2007.
- The Lake Havasu office has begun implementing this plan by conducting Travel Management Planning in the Bullhead City area.

Grand Canyon Parashant National Monument/Vermilion Cliffs National Monument/Arizona Strip Field Office Land Use Plans

- The Arizona Strip Office worked with the Washington Office Protest Team and specialists in the Arizona State Office to draft resolution letters. The letters were sent out to the protesters in December.
- The Records of Decision (three of them) and Approved Plans were signed by the State Director
 on January 29, 2008. The Notice of Availability is ready for publication as soon as the Arizona
 Strip office has the printed documents available for the public, expected to be in April or early
 May.

Ironwood Forest National Monument Land Use Plan

- Publication of the Draft RMP generated considerable controversy pertaining to recreational target shooting and the Tucson office received in excess of 10,000 comment letters and emails. Additional analysis and public participation is being conducted regarding this issue.
- Publication of a Proposed Plan and Final EIS is anticipated for summer 2008.

Yuma Land Use Plan

- Briefings were completed for the Arizona State Director and the Washington Office staff in the fall of 2007. The need for a Director briefing was waived and they were given permission to print.
- The Proposed RMP/Final EIS was issued to the public on April 11, 2008.

San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area and Tucson Field Office Land Use Plans

- The San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area (San Pedro RNCA) is located within the Tucson Field Office. Public lands in the San Pedro RNCA are managed under the Safford RMP (1992, 1994) and San Pedro RNCA Management Plan (1989).
- Fiscal year 2005 was the initial year of funding for this planning effort. The San Pedro RNCA RMP will be combined with the Tucson Field Office RMP (Tucson RMP) under one planning effort. The Tucson RMP will address all remaining BLM administered lands not covered by the Las Cienegas NCA and Ironwood Forest National Monument RMPs.
- In addition, planning is needed for lands in the Safford Field Office outside the Gila Box National Conservation Area. The Gila District is preparing to combine planning for all these lands together into a Gila District RMP/EIS.
- The Notice of Intent (NOI) to conduct land use planning for the Tucson area was published in the Federal Register on September 2, 2005. The scoping report was approved in September 2006.
- The actual start up of the plan is dependent on funding availability. The proposed start up date is in Fiscal Year 2009.

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Partnerships of the Agua Fria National Monument

April 2008

SUMMARY:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Arizona is working with communities in place, and communities of interest in the management of the Agua Fria National Monument (AFNM).

The designation of the AFNM in Fiscal Year 2000 increased the awareness and interest in the area. Existing volunteers were utilized to assist with the monitoring of the archaeological sites in the initial days of the monument. As the need for more assistance and information became apparent, the BLM formed partnerships with groups that had interest in the monument, and already had existing volunteer programs. This enabled the BLM staff to focus on the identification of projects, while the organizations already had the capability to recruit, train and manage a volunteer cadre. BLM worked to identify projects for these groups that fit with their organizational missions and goals.

Partnerships include:

Friends of the Agua Fria – coordinate volunteer projects focused on protection of cultural resources, wildlife resources in the monument; and conducts cleanup events, tours and public education.

Sonoran Audubon - provide bird counts, species identification, and a "bird list" for use by the general public.

Desert Botanical Garden – developing a flora inventory for the AFNM, using volunteers to inventory, and curate plant specimens.

Upper Agua Fria Watershed Group - support and advocacy, grant writing for water cleanup projects, and volunteer clean up days.

Arizona Site Stewards - statewide organization adopts archaeological sites for monitoring. Assists BLM in inventory, recording and monitoring, assists with outreach and open houses, tours, and lectures.

Arizona Archaeological Society - support, Rock Art recording projects, and ongoing educational classes. Civil Air Patrol - monthly monitoring flights.

Arizona Universities - Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University - research projects using student and faculty volunteers, which provides opportunities for graduate dissertations and interdisciplinary studies.

Deer Valley Rock Art Center - Rock Art recording, use of volunteers and students, and long-term research projects.

BLM PERSPECTIVE:

The BLM is thrilled to have the opportunity to work with these and future partners for the management, understanding and long-term support of the AFNM.

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Table Mesa Safe Shooting Model Project

April 2008

SUMMARY:

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix District, manages 2.5 million acres of public land. It consists of two field offices, the Lower Sonoran and the Hassayampa.

The Hassayampa Field Office handles 900,000 acres of public lands north of Phoenix – now America's 5th largest city. At issue is the balance of providing access to, though protecting, public lands that feature hundreds of prehistoric sites, including 450 prehistoric sites in the Agua Fria National Monument (AFNM), landscapes mesa and canyons, cultural heritage and historic values, vast recreational opportunities, as well as the grazing and mineral leases amid rapid urban growth.

The Hassayampa Field Office just completed its Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and publishes this spring the proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) that incorporates management zones for all activities at various locations. The RMP was developed in a public process with thousands of hours of community meetings. Based on this public input, the Hassayampa Field Office provides a model for the multi-use management of public lands throughout the BLM system.

Specifically, motorized access is allowed on designated roads at the AFNM -70,900 acres of extraordinary scientific and historic resources located 40 miles north of Phoenix, to the east of Interstate 17. Here, the public maintains admission for hiking, hunting, and educational field trips to the archaeological sites found in the Monument.

To the west of Interstate-17, outside of the Monument, sits the Table Mesa area. Access here is provided for various recreational uses; though most notably, it's a popular urban target shooting location and off-highway vehicle use. The Phoenix District is currently developing a Model Project for Safe Shooting by partnering with state agencies, national organizations, and local communities. Using the Resource Management Plan, a Travel Management Plan is now being developed. A Travel Management Plan identifies access for target shooters while pinpointing and separating other access roads for hikers at the historic Black Canyon Trail and for the increasingly popular Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) enthusiasts.

BLM PERSPECTIVE:

The BLM Arizona uses its public process Resource Management Plan as a basis to create and enhance safe urban recreational opportunities for all users. To accomplish this, the BLM Arizona continues to work with multiple partners to develop motorized access and management at identified locations.

CONTACT:

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Federal Lands Hunting, Fishing, and Shooting Sports Roundtable MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

among the

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Forest Service - 06-SU-11132424-118

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

and

AMERICAN SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION
ARCHERY TRADE ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AGENCIES
BEAR TRUST INTERNATIONAL
BOONE AND CROCKETT CLUB OF AMERICA
BOWHUNTING PRESERVATION ALLIANCE
CAMPFIRE CLUB OF AMERICA
CONGRESSIONAL SPORTSMEN'S FOUNDATION
CONSERVATION FORCE
DALLAS SAFARI CLUB
DELTA WATERFOWL FOUNDATION
DUCKS UNLIMITED

FOUNDATION FOR NORTH AMERICAN WILD SHEEP HOUSTON SAFARI CLUB

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NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS FOUNDATION
NATIONAL TRAPPER'S ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION, INC.
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SPORTING ARMS AND AMMUNITION MANUFACTURERS INSTITUTE TEXAS WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION THEODORE ROOSEVELT CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP

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Federal Land Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.)

FWS

Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.)
Fish and Wildlife Act (16 U.S.C. 742(f) et seq.)
National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee)
The National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (P.L. 105-57)

C. THE PARTIES

1. The Agencies

- a. The Agencies are responsible for the management of federal lands and enhancing the public's knowledge, awareness, responsible use, experience, and appreciation of those lands. The Agencies also strive to sustain the natural resources on those lands.
- b. The primary mission of the FS and BLM is multiple-use management of the federal lands they administer. Under the multiple-use mandates of the FS and BLM, hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities (defined for purposes of this MOU to include activities conducted at target ranges and appropriate dispersed shooting sites) are legitimate uses of those lands, except where specifically prohibited for safety or other reasons.
- c. FWS authorizes public uses that are appropriate and determined to be compatible with the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS) and the primary purposes of the individual refuge. Wildlife dependent recreational uses, including hunting and fishing, are priority general public uses of the NWRS. FWS provides extensive hunting and fishing opportunities on over 300 units of the NWRS. FWS also supports and encourages hunting and fishing and actively participates in target range development on lands through the FWS Division of Federal Assistance. Under that program, financial grants and technical assistance are provided to the states to build and improve target ranges.
- 2. The Private Organizations (as supplied by the private organizations)
- a. ASA is a nonprofit trade association whose members include fishing tackle manufacturers, boat builders, state fish and wildlife agencies, angler organizations, sportfishing retailers, and the outdoor media. For over 50 years, ASA and its predecessor organizations have promoted the conservation of fishery resources and environmental measures that improve the aquatic environment, in order to ensure the enjoyment of healthy fisheries by America's nearly 50 million anglers.
- b. ATA is the nonprofit trade association for the archery and bowhunting industry and includes manufacturers, distributors, retailers, and companies who provide support services to these industries. The ATA and its two foundations, ArrowSport and the Bowhunting

private land. It is a land trust and regular participant in the National Wildlife Refuge planning process.

- j. DSC is an autonomous international nonprofit education, conservation and sporting organization serving the interests of wildlife, habitat, youth and sportsmen and sportswomen worldwide. DSC's mission is to conserve wildlife and wild places; educate youth and the public on the value of hunting and angling to wildlife and habitat and to advocate for the interests of hunters and anglers worldwide.
- k DWF is an international conservation organization whose vision is to secure the future of waterfowl and waterfowl hunting. Founded in 1911, DWF's mission is to provide knowledge, leaders and science-based solutions that efficiently conserve waterfowl and secure the future for waterfowl hunting.
- l. DU is an international conservation organization that supports hunting and the shooting sports. DU was established in 1937 and our mission is to conserve, restore, and manage wetlands and associated habitats for North American waterfowl while benefiting other wildlife and people.
- m. FNAWS is an international wildlife conservation organization whose purposes and objectives are to enhance wild sheep populations, promote professional wildlife management, educate the public about wild sheep and the conservation benefits of hunting, encourage fair chase hunting, and protect sportsmen's rights.
- n. HSC is a non-profit volunteer organization that raises money for preserving the sport of hunting, supporting wildlife conservation and educating the public on hunting and conservation issues.
- o. IWLA is a national organization promoting public education to conserve, maintain, protect, and restore soil, forest, water, air, and other natural resources of the United States and the enjoyment and wholesome utilization of those resources.
- p. NASC unites state legislators to support hunting, fishing and trapping in America. Expanding upon the success of the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation and the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus, the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC) was officially launched in December of 2004. Now working with 29 legislative sportsmen's caucuses across the U.S., NASC is the only organization working directly with state legislators, within a state and across state lines, on issues of importance to the hunting, fishing and trapping communities
- q. NRA established in 1871, is America's oldest civil rights and sportsmen's group. Four million members strong, NRA continues its mission to uphold Second Amendment rights and America's hunting heritage, and remains the nation's leader in firearm education and training for law-abiding gun owners, law enforcement, and the military.

- philosophy. The QDMA's mission is to promote sustainable, high-quality white-tailed deer populations, wildlife habitats and ethical hunting experiences through education, research and management in partnership with hunters, landowners, natural resource professionals and the public.
- bb. RBFF is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to increase participation in recreational angling and boating and thereby increase public awareness and appreciation of the need for protecting, conserving and restoring this nation's aquatic natural resources.
- cc. RMEF is an international, nonprofit, wildlife conservation organization whose mission is to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife and their habitat. In support of this mission RMEF works to foster cooperation among federal, state and private organizations and individuals to conserve natural habitats to promote the sound management of wild, free-ranging elk as well as to educate the public about the value of hunting, hunting ethics and wildlife management.
- dd. RGS is an international nonprofit wildlife conservation organization dedicated to promoting science-based forest wildlife conservation on public and private forestlands.
- ee. SCI is an international sportsmen's organization promoting protection of the hunting heritage and the rights of hunters. Its sister organization, the SCI Foundation, pursues the missions of wildlife conservation, conservation education, and humanitarian services by hunters. SCI has more than 160 chapters throughout the United States and another 40 worldwide.
- ff. SCF is to advance the use of ethical and scientifically sound land management practices and partnerships for the benefit of people and the ecological landscape.
- gg. SAAMI is an association of the nation's leading manufacturers of firearms, ammunition and components. Since its establishment in 1926, SAAMI has been actively involved in creating and publishing industry standards for safety, interchangeability, reliability and quality, coordinating technical data, and promoting safe and responsible firearms use.
- hh. TRCP is guaranteeing places to hunt and fish by actively engaging America's 40 million hunters and anglers to make sure America's public and private lands always remain open and accessible, continue to be scientifically managed for abundant fish and wildlife populations, and provide a lifetime of hunting and fishing opportunities for generations to come.
- ii. USSA (formerly the Wildlife Legislative Fund of America or WLFA) provides direct lobbying and grassroots coalition support to protect and advance the rights of hunters, fishermen, trappers and scientific wildlife management professionals. This is accomplished through coalition building, ballot issue campaigning and legislative and government relations.

- d. Provide local Agency contact information to the Private Organizations through the Roundtable liaison.
- e. Participate in meetings convened by the Roundtable.
- 2. Encourage local Agency officials to collaborate with the Private Organizations and local chapters, where appropriate, of the Private Organizations in the development of mutually beneficial projects and educational activities.
- 3. Where appropriate and feasible, make available to the public the Private Organizations' interpretive and educational materials regarding hunting, fishing, and shooting sports.
- 4. Maintain on their external websites a list of Agency land management plans to be revised, and, consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and Agency policies, work with the Private Organizations to assess hunting, fishing and shooting sports needs and opportunities as part of the Agencies' land management planning.
- 5. When sites used by shooting sports enthusiasts on federal lands are unsafe or in unsuitable locations (such as where urbanization or public pressures threaten a target range or hunting or shooting areas); are in need of environmental or trash cleanup; are not meeting best management practices; or are in need of maintenance, reconstruction, or modernization, work with the Private Organizations to resolve these issues in a mutually satisfactory manner and consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and Agency policies.
- 6. Assist in the identification of areas where awareness and access are perceived to be inadequate for hunting, fishing, or shooting sports opportunities, consider potential solutions to improve awareness of and access to those areas or alternative areas, and work with the Private Organizations to improve access to these areas where appropriate.
- 7. Furnish the Private Organizations with information about maintenance backlogs and right-of-way needs on roads, trails, and other facilities intended to provide access for hunting, fishing, and shooting sports opportunities on federal lands, and explore cooperative projects to address these needs with local chapters, where appropriate, of the Private Organizations.
- 8. Annually work with the Private Organizations on a volunteer day of significance to hunters, anglers, and shooting sports enthusiasts (for example, National Hunting and Fishing Day or Take Pride in America Day) to promote the efforts of the Agencies and Private Organizations to maintain access to recreational opportunities on federal lands.
- 9. Work with the Private Organizations to identify other governmental and private cooperators for projects involving hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities on federal lands.

facilitate cooperative relationships between the Private Organizations and local Agency contacts to resolve issues that arise regarding hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities on federal lands.

- d. Provide contact information for the Private Organizations to the Agency liaisons.
- e. Participate in meetings convened by the Roundtable.
- 2. Identify a contact, listed in Appendix A, for each Private Organization to facilitate, in coordination with the Agency liaisons, cooperative relationships with the local Agency contacts to resolve issues that arise regarding hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities on federal lands. From the list of contacts in Appendix A, identify representatives to serve as members of the Roundtable.
- 3. Make available to the Agencies interpretive and educational materials regarding hunting, fishing, and shooting sports.
- 4. Provide leadership, services, and materials at the national, regional, and local levels to promote hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities on federal lands.
- 5. Develop and maintain a network for contacting hunters, anglers, and shooting sports enthusiasts who are members of or otherwise affiliated with the Private Organizations.
- 6. Participate in Agency land management planning efforts to identify suitable areas for hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities on federal lands and areas where access for those activities is inadequate on federal lands.
- 7. Notify hunters, anglers, and shooting sports enthusiasts about volunteer maintenance projects to improve hunting, fishing, and shooting sports access routes, sites, or facilities on federal lands.
- 8. When sites used by shooting sports enthusiasts on federal lands are unsafe or in unsuitable locations (such as where urbanization or public pressures threaten a target range or hunting or shooting areas); are in need of environmental or trash cleanup; are not meeting best management practices; or are in need of maintenance, reconstruction, or modernization, work with the Agencies to resolve these issues in a mutually satisfactory manner and consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and Agency policies.
- 9. Work with the Agencies at the local level to identify the need for improvement and maintenance of facilities for hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities.
- 10. Annually notify the Agencies of available technology and technical assistance in connection with:
- a. Managing hunting, fishing, and shooting sports activities on federal lands.

independently authorized by statute. This MOU does not provide that authority. Negotiation, execution, and administration of these agreements must comply with all applicable law.

- 7. Nothing in this MOU is intended to alter, limit, or expand the Agencies' statutory and regulatory authority.
- 8. This MOU in no way restricts the Agencies or the Private Organizations from participating in similar activities with other public or private agencies, organizations, and individuals.
- 9. This MOU does not create any substantive or procedural right that is enforceable at law or equity against the United States or its officers, agents, or employees.
- 10. Nothing in this MOU implies that the Agencies endorse any service or policy of the Private Organizations. The Private Organizations will not take any action or make any statement that implies such an endorsement.
- 11. No member of or delegate to Congress may benefit from this MOU either directly or indirectly.
- 12. Any information furnished to the Agencies under this MOU is subject to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).
- 13. The Roundtable does not constitute an advisory committee and will function consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and Agency policies.
- 14. The Roundtable will appoint a chair for a specified period to provide for consistent and effective communication among the Parties by scheduling meetings and conference calls and leadership in the identification of mutually beneficial objectives and projects.
- 15. The liaison for each Agency (referenced in paragraph E.1) is:

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Either the Agencies or the Private Organizations may terminate this MOU upon 60 days written notice.

- 18. By signing below, the Parties certify that the individuals identified in paragraphs G.13, G.14, and G.15 and Appendix A of this MOU are their respective representatives and are authorized to act in their areas of responsibility on matters related to this MOU.
- 19. By signing below, the Parties certify that the individuals identified in Part G of this MOU are their respective representatives and are authorized to act in their areas of responsibility on matters related to this MOU.

/s/ Joel D. Holtrop	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
for Chief, USDA Forest Service (06-SU-11132424-118)	
/s/ Kathleen Clarke Director, Bureau of Land Management	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
Director, Bureau of Land Management	
/s/ J M King	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
for Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	
/s/ Gordon Robertson	Date: <u>9/6/06</u>
American Sportfishing Association	
/s/ Jay McAninch	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
Archery Trade Association	
/s/ John Baughman	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies	
/s/ A.C. Smid	Date: 9.6.06
Bear Trust International	

/s/ R. John Pepper	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
Houston Safari Club	
/s/ Thomas M. Franklin Izaak Walton League of America	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
/s/ John Astle National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses	Date: <u>9/20/06</u>
/s/ Chris W Cox National Rifle Association of America	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
/s/ Christopher C Dolnack National Shooting Sports Foundation	Date: <u>27 Sept 06</u>
/s/ James M Buell National Trappers Association	Date: <u>8/18/06</u>
/s/ Robert Abernathy National Wild Turkey Federation	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
/s/ Brian Bachman North American Bear Foundation	Date: 9/26/06
/s/ Jim Mosher North American Grouse Partnership	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>

/s/ Brent M. Hagland	Date: 1 September 2006
Sand County Foundation	
/s/ R Richard Patterson Sporting Arms and Ammunition Manufacturers Institute	Date: <u>9-13-06</u>
/s/ Terry Riley Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
/s/ Walter Pidgeon U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>
/s/ Jeff Schinkten Whitetails Unlimited	Date: _ <u>9/6/06</u>
/s/ Douglas Grann Wildlife Forever	Date: <u>8/30/2006</u>
/s/ Steve Williams Wildlife Management Institute	Date: <u>8/17/06</u>

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Guide to Shooting on Public Lands in Arizona

Many people enjoy target shooting and plinking in open country. When participating in this activity, shooters must be aware of federal and state gun laws. We would like to provide you with some information that will give you a better understanding of regulations and guidelines relating to shooting on public lands.

Where can I target shoot?

You can target shoot on federal public lands that are not developed as a recreation site/area, which that have not been administratively closed to target shooting, and where target shooting is not prohibited by other state law or statute. (An example of a prohibited act is shooting on public lands across a highway.) While hunting with a license and in season is allowed on Arizona State Trust Land recreational shooting is prohibited. If you are in doubt that an area is open to recreational shooting, contact the appropriate agency before discharging your firearm.

When shooting:

Select a safe location for your target practice. Know your target and what is beyond! A spot with a hill, canyon wall, or a large mound directly behind the target is ideal. Avoid popular recreation areas and sensitive wildlife habitats. Never shoot in a direction where there are people, domestic animals, or tructures. Always keep your firearms muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

Use paper targets mounted on wooden stakes. Do not attach targets to living plants or place targets up against rocks or solid objects, which can cause ricochets. Please do not shoot at glass bottles or other refuse. Broken glass can be hazardous to people and wildlife. Always pick up and remove targets and empty shells when you have finished.

To help ensure you shoot legally remember:

\square NEVER shoot from, on, or across a road.
□ NEVER shoot whereby any person or property may be exposed to injury or damage.
□NEVER damage any natural feature or other property.
□NEVER shoot from a vehicle, parked or moving.
□NEVER shoot if unsure of your backstop and what is beyond
□ NEVER act in an aggressive or threatening manner to other public land users.

A WORD TO THE WISE

The information contained in this guide is for general information purposes only. It is not a substitute for the law and is not intended to be inclusive of all laws and regulations. You are fully accountable for knowing the laws and regulations when you deal with firearms under any circumstances.

REFERENCES

The Arizona Gun Owner's Guide, Alan Korwin, Bloomfield Press Arizona Hunting Regulations, Arizona Game & Fish Department Arizona revised Statutes, Title 13 Code of Federal Regulations, Title 36







Guía para Práctica de Tiro en Terrenos Públicos de Arizona

Mucha gente disfruta el tiro al blanco y disparar en terreno abierto. Al participar en esta actividad, los tiradores deben seguir las leyes federales y estatales sobre manejo de armas. Nos gustaría proporcionarle algo de información para que comprenda mejor las regulaciones y normas relativas a la práctica de tiro en terrenos públicos.

¿Dónde puedo hacer tiro al blanco?

Usted puede hacer tiro al blanco en terrenos públicos que no estén acondicionados como zonas de recreo, que no han estado administrativamente cerrados para tiro al blanco, y donde el tiro al blanco no está prohibido por otra ley o estatuto del estado. (Un ejemplo de práctica prohibida es disparar sobre terrenos públicos a través de una autopista). Aunque está permitido cazar con licencia y en temporada en los Terrenos en Fideicomiso del Estado de Arizona la práctica de tiro recreativa está prohibida. Si tiene dudas acerca de una zona abierta a la práctica de tiro recreativa, comuníquese con la agencia apropiada antes de descargar su arma de fuego.

Cuando dispare:

Escoja una ubicación segura para su práctica de tiro. <u>¡Conozca su objetivo y lo que hay más allá!</u> Lo ideal es un lugar con una colina, pared de un cañón, o un montículo grande directamente detrás del objetivo. Evite zonas públicas de recreación y hábitats delicados de vida silvestre. Nunca dispare en dirección a donde hay gente, animales domésticos o estructuras. Mantenga siempre la boca de su arma de fuego apuntada en dirección segura.

Utilice objetivos de papel montados sobre estacas de madera. No sujete los objetivos a plantas vivas o contra las rocas u objetos sólidos, que pueden causar rebotes. Por favor no dispare a botellas de vidrio u otros materiales de desecho. El vidrio roto puede ser peligroso para la gente y vida silvestre. Siempre recoja y quite los objetivos y los casquillos vacíos cuando haya terminado.

Para garantizar que dispara legalmente recuerde:

□ NUNCA dispare desde, en o a través de una carretera.
\square NUNCA dispare al lado de alguna persona o propiedad que puedan exponerse a heridas o daños.
□NUNCA dañe algún recurso natural u otra propiedad.
□NUNCA dispare desde un vehículo, estacionado o en movimiento.
□NUNCA dispare si no está seguro del soporte de su blanco y lo que hay más allá.
NUNCA se comporte de modo agresivo o amenazador con otros usuarios de terrenos públicos.

UN CONSEJO PARA LOS PRUDENTES

La información contenida en esta guía es sólo con propósitos de información general. No es un sustituto de la ley ni pretende incluir todas las leyes y regulaciones. Usted se hace plenamente responsable de conocer las leyes y regulaciones cuando maneja armas de fuego en cualquier circunstancia.

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Resources Crimes

Help Protect Your Public Lands in Arizona

1-800-637-9152

Report Resource Crime

Trespass

Resource Destruction

Archaeological Looting

Site Damage or Littering

Historic Places Vandalism

If you see a violation on public lands, record the following:

Date • Time • Location • Details of the Violation Description of Person(s) Involved Vehicle License Number and Description









Table Mesa Road Cleanup April 19, 2008

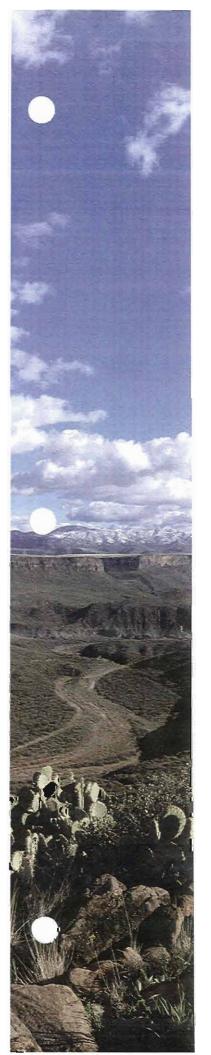
Time: 8 a.m. - noon

Who: Everyone who wants to help improve the land. (Under 18 years must have signed parental/guardian consent)

What to bring: Water, sunscreen, gloves, sturdy boots & comfort items.

RSVP: Mary at BLM (623-580-5586) before noon on April 18, 2008.

Lunch provided for workers.





AGUA FRIA NATIONAL MONUMENT

Location

The Agua Fria National Monument is located 40 miles north of Phoenix.

Brief Description

The 71,100-acre Agua Fria National Monument contains one of the most significant systems of prehistoric sites in the American Southwest. At least 450 prehistoric sites and four major settlement areas are known to exist within the monument. This area contains two mesas - Perry and Black Mesa - and the Agua Fria River Canyon. In addition to its rich record of human history, the monument contains a diversity of vegetative communities, pristine riparian habitat, topographical features and a wide array of wildlife. Elevations range from 2,150 to 4,600 feet.

Access

Take Interstate 17 to either Badger Springs or Bloody Basin Road.

Permits Required

Activities that were permitted on these public lands before the designation, such as grazing and authorized rights-of-way are still allowed, except for new mining claims. No new permits will be authorized until a monument management plan is completed.

Recreational Opportunities

Prehistoric archaeological sites, such as stone pueblos and rock art, are numerous but remote and inaccessible. Currently, no sites have been developed for public visitation. Visitors who encounter archaeological sites are encouraged to observe, enjoy and photograph them while leaving all artifacts as found for others to discover and appreciate. Artifacts are a non-renewable resource, so we must take care of what remains. Defacing archaeological sites is vandalism and is punishable by law. Additional activities include wildlife viewing, photography, primitive camping, hiking, hunting and rugged back-country vehicle travel (no off-road travel allowed).

Facilities

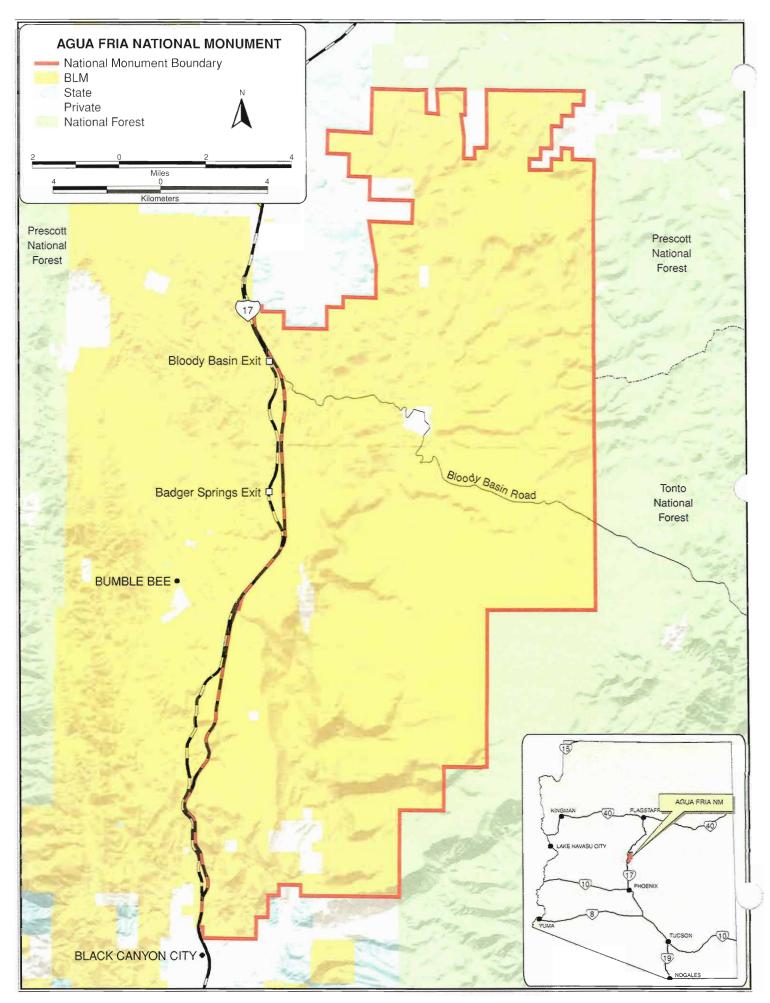
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Safety

Visits to the area require special planning. Potential hazards exist, including rugged and unmarked roads, poisonous reptiles and insects, extreme heat and flash floods. Visitors should bring plenty of water and gasoline, and stay on main roads. Four-wheel drive is recommended.

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Proclamation 7263 of January 11, 2000

Establishment of the Agua Fria National Monument

By the President of the United States of America A Proclamation

The windswept, grassy mesas and formidable canyons of Agua Fria National Monument embrace an extraordinary array of scientific and historic resources. The ancient ruins within the monument, with their breathtaking vistas and spectacular petroglyphs, provide a link to the past, offering insights into the lives of the peoples who once inhabited this part of the desert Southwest. The area's architectural features and artifacts are tangible objects that can help researchers reconstruct the human past. Such objects and, more importantly, the spatial relationships among them, provide outstanding opportunities for archeologists to study the way humans interacted with one another, neighboring groups, and with the environment that sustained them in prehistoric times.

The monument contains one of the most significant systems of late prehistoric sites in the American Southwest. Between A.D. 1250 and 1450, its pueblo communities were populated by up to several thousand people. During this time, many dwelling locations in the Southwest were abandoned and groups became aggregated in a relatively small number of densely populated areas. The monument encompasses one of the best examples of these areas, containing important archeological evidence that is crucial to understanding the cultural, social, and economic processes that accompanied this period of significant change.

At least 450 prehistoric sites are known to exist within the monument and there are likely many more. There are at least four major settlements within the area, including Pueblo La Plata, Pueblo Pato, the Baby Canyon Ruin group, and the Lousy Canyon group. These consist of clusters of stone-ma-

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sonry pueblos, some containing at least 100 rooms. These settlements are typically situated at the edges of steep canyons, and offer a panorama of ruins, distinctive rock art panels, and visually spectacular settings.

Many intact petroglyph sites within the monument contain rock art symbols pecked into the surfaces of boulders and cliff faces. The sites range from single designs on boulders to cliffs covered with hundreds of geometric and abstract symbols. Some of the most impressive sites are associated with major pueblos, such as Pueblo Pato.

The monument holds an extraordinary record of prehistoric agricultural features, including extensive terraces bounded by lines of rocks and other types of landscape modifications. The agricultural areas, as well as other sites, reflect the skills of ancient residents at producing and obtaining food supplies sufficient to sustain a population of several thousand people.

The monument also contains historic sites representing early Anglo-American history through the 19th century, including remnants of Basque sheep camps, historic mining features, and military activities.

In addition to its rich record of human history, the monument contains other objects of scientific interest. This expansive mosaic of semi-desert grassland, cut by ribbons of valuable riparian forest, is an outstanding biological resource. The diversity of vegetative communities, topographical features, and relative availability of water provide habitat for a wide array of sensitive wildlife species, including the lowland leopard frog, the Mexican garter snake, the common black hawk, and the desert tortoise. Other wildlife is abundant and diverse, including pronghorn, mule deer, and white-tail deer. Javelina, mountain lions, small mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish, and neotropical migratory birds also inhabit the area. Elk and black bear are present, but less abundant. Four species of native fish, including the longfin dace, the Gila mountain sucker, the Gila chub, and the speckled dace, exist in the Agua Fria River and its tributaries.

Section 2 of the Act of June 8, 1906 (34 Stat. 225, 16 U.S.C. 431) authorizes the President, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be national monuments, and to reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.

WHEREAS it appears that it would be in the public interest to reserve such lands as a national monument to be known as the Agua Fria National Monument:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by the authority vested in me by section 2 of the Act of June 8, 1906 (34 Stat. 225, 16 U.S.C. 431), do proclaim that there are hereby set apart and reserved as the Agua Fria National Monument, for the purpose of protecting the objects identified above, all lands and interests in lands owned or controlled by the United States within the boundaries of the area described on the map entitled "Agua Fria National Monument" attached to and forming a part of this proclamation. The Federal land and interests in land reserved consist of approximately 71,100 acres, which is

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For the purpose of protecting the objects identified above, all motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to enlarge or diminish the jurisdiction of the State of Arizona with respect to fish and wildlife management.

The establishment of this monument is subject to valid existing rights.

All Federal lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of this monument are hereby appropriated and withdrawn from all forms of entry, location, selection, sale, leasing, or other disposition under the public land laws, including but not limited to withdrawal from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and from disposition under all laws relating to mineral and geothermal leasing, other than by exchange that furthers the protective purposes of the monument. Lands and interests in lands within the proposed monument not owned by the United States shall be reserved as a part of the monument upon acquisition of title thereto by the United States.

There is hereby reserved, as of the date of this proclamation and subject to valid existing rights, a quantity of water sufficient to fulfill the purposes for which this monument is established. Nothing in this reservation shall be construed as a relinquishment or reduction of any water use or rights reserved or appropriated by the United States on or before the date of this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument through the Bureau of Land Management, pursuant to applicable legal authorities, to implement the purposes of this proclamation.

Laws, regulations, and policies followed by the Bureau of Land Management in issuing and administering grazing leases on all lands under its jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument.

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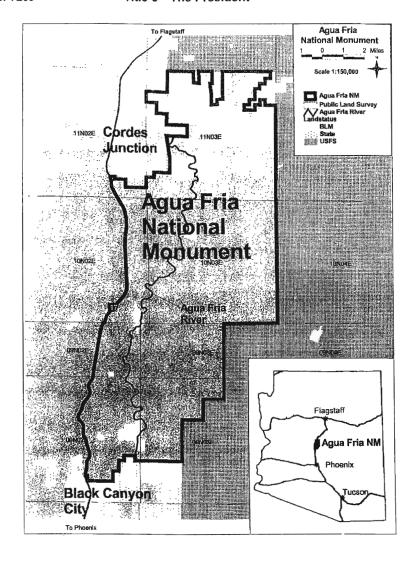
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eleventh day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-fourth.

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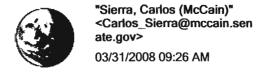
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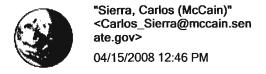
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Subject Thursday's Tour Itinerary

Mary, Carlos, Ernestina,

I look forward to seeing all of you in the morning for the field tour! I've attached the itinerary for your information, which also includes directions to the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Ernestina, I will see you around 7:30 a.m.; Mary/Carlos -- I will meet you at the AZGFD.

It looks like it will be a great day to be in the field and we have a lot of information to share and places to see!



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